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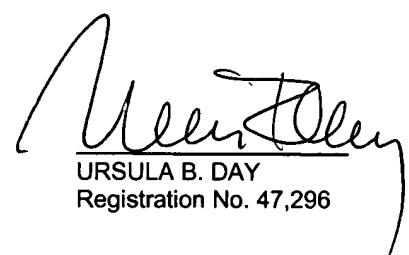
000572757**TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371****ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NO:
HESS-3****INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.****PCT/EP2004/010761****INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE****September 24, 2004****PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED****September 26, 2003****TITLE OF INVENTION****PROCESS FOR MULTI-LAYER MATERIAL REMOVAL OF A THREE-DIMENSIONAL SURFACE BY USING A RASTER IMAGE DESCRIBING THE SURFACE****APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US****Raul Hess****ASSIGNEE: PEGUFORM GmbH, Bötzingen, Germany**

Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. ☒ This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.
4. ☐ The US has been elected (Article 31).
5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
 - a. ☐ is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
 - b. ☒ has been communicated by the International Bureau.
 - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. ☒ An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
 - a. ☒ is attached hereto.
 - b. ☐ has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
7. ☐ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
 - a. ☐ are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
 - b. ☐ have been communicated by the International Bureau.
 - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
 - d. ☐ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
9. ☒ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
10. ☐ An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

Items 11 to 20 concern other document(s) or information included:

11. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
12. ☒ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13. ☒ A preliminary amendment.
14. ☒ An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.
15. ☐ A substitute specification.
16. ☐ A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.
17. ☐ A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821-1.825.
18. ☐ A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
19. ☐ A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
20. ☒ Other items or information: Form PCT/IB/308

5. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5) 257		INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/EP2004/010761		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NO. HESS-3	
The following fees are submitted				\$ 900.00	
21. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Basic national fee		\$ 300.00			
22. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examination fee					
If International preliminary examination report prepared by USPTO and all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4)		\$ 100.00			
All other situations		\$ 200.00			
23. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Search fee					
Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) has been paid on the international application to the USPTO as an International Searching Authority		\$ 100.00			
International Search Report prepared and provided to the Office		\$ 400.00			
All other situations		\$ 500.00			
TOTAL OF 21, 22 and 23 =		\$ 900.00			
[] Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium). The fee is \$250.00 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof.					
Total Sheets	Extra Sheets	Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof (round up to a whole number)	RATE		
- 100 =	/50 =		x \$250.00	\$ 0.00	
Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).					
CLAIMS		Number Field	NUMBER EXTRA	Rate	
Total Claims		14-20 =	4	x \$ 50.00	\$ 0.00
Independent Claims		1-3 =		x \$200.00	\$ 0.00
Multiple dependent claim(s) (if applicable)				+ \$360.00	\$ 0.00
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =					\$ 0.00
[] Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2.					
SUBTOTAL =					\$ 900.00
Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date 37 CFR 1.492(f). +					
TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =					\$ 900.00
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property +					
TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =					\$ 940.00
Amount to be refunded					
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a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$940.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed.					
b. [] Please charge my Deposit Account No. 06-0502 in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.					
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NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b) must be filed and granted to restore the International Application to pending status.					
Send all correspondence to:					
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